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1. A large (undetermined) number of American POW's were confined in a large house near Pokkye-ri (127-16, 38-26) in early December. A North Korean ordnance unit forced these POW's to repair salvaged artillery, mortars and small arms. An undetermined number of the prisoners were executed for refusing to cooperate.
2. A farmhouse 4 kilometers east of Pokkye-ri serves as the mess and rendezvous for approximately 150 North Korean troops who occupy four caves in the area during the day. Military instruction is given to the recruits in a section of road enclosed by barbed wire 20 paces northeast of the intersection of the road between Pokkye-ri and the farmhouse and the road running northeast. The training is supervised by Soviet advisers in groups of one to four men, who took notes on the training. The advisers wore khaki woolen uniforms, fur caps, laced leather shoes and pistols in shoulder holsters. They wore no insignia or shoulder boards, but some wore a white or pale yellow metal badge with a black vertical center stripe over the left breast pocket. One jeep was driven by Soviet women in the same uniform.

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